

LAYING OF CORNERSTONE AT CAPITOL

Immense Crowd at Ceremonies in Connection with the New State Library and Supreme Court Building in Hartford, Today.

In the Procession Were Senator Bulkeley, Chairman of the Commission; Governor Weeks, Supreme Court Judges, Members of General Assembly and Chief Justice Baldwin, Who Delivered the Address.

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, May 25.—An immense crowd gathered on the capitol grounds this afternoon to witness the ceremonies incidental to the laying of the cornerstone of the new state library and supreme court building located at the corner of Capitol avenue and Mayday street, facing the east side of the capitol building. Previous to the exercises there was a concert by the Army band from 2 to 3:30. Immediately after the concert a procession consisting of the band, the Masonic officers, a host of prominent state officials headed by Governor Weeks and Senator Bulkeley, chairman of the commission having charge of the erection of the building, the Supreme court judges and members of the General Assembly marched from the capitol to the scene of the cornerstone laying. The cornerstones were laid at 3 o'clock by the state officials and members of the General Assembly proceeded to the lawn on the south side of the capitol where Chief Justice Baldwin delivered his address.

Appeal Announced In Sargents' Case

Woman's Father, Who is a Banker, Will Furnish Necessary Money, so Counsel States.

(Special from United Press.)
Paris, May 25.—Counsel for Cecil H. Sargent, an Englishman, and his American wife, Mrs. Sargent, daughter of a banker, who were sentenced respectively to two years and thirteen months in prison for bigamy, said today that they intend to appeal. The appeal was announced by the father of the woman, who is a banker, and who is willing to furnish the money to conduct an appeal. It is probable that an appeal will be taken, though no decision has yet been reached. The lawyers are inclined to believe that the appeal will be successful. Judge Flerty of the Correctional Court will be rather lenient in his sentence and the fear of a heavier punishment in case of a refusal may result in accepting the court's sentence without further delay. While a clear case of mistreatment of the children adopted by the prosecution was made out, the fact that the Sargents, particularly the husband, were under the influence of drink at the time of most of the acts complained of, caused the court to lean toward him. The Sargents were arrested last February. Mrs. Sargent, whose first marriage was to a bogus nobleman, had no children, although she confessed to an insane love for children. She was well provided for in money matters by her father and indulged her whims and fancies by adopting numerous waifs both in this country and America.

GENERAL STRIKE MAY BE CALLED

(Special from United Press.)
Atlanta, Ga., May 25.—Officials of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers said today that if other roads attempt to relieve the freight congestion on the Georgia Central whose white firemen are on strike against the employment of negroes, the engineers will be ordered not to take their trains out. Similar announcement has been made by the Brotherhood of Railroad Firemen. If any effort is made to break the tie-up on the Georgia Central which has existed since Saturday night a general strike of the engineers completely paralyzing the business of the entire system. Newspaper publishers are now sending their papers to towns along the affected railroads by automobiles. Despite the assurances that the strike will not last long the publishers solidly continue their own way. Directors of the Georgia Central are talking today of demanding the resignation of General Manager Scott for his refusal to confer with the arbitration committee. Many say that the railroad has been put in a bad light by Scott's action. They are demanding that he meet Governor Smith half way in the latter's attempt at arbitration. Many strike breakers in Atlanta quit their jobs last night and are today lined up with the strikers. A special guard at Augusta, Cecil Todd, a special guard in charge of a group of strike breakers, fired on a crowd of union men. This action precipitated a serious riot. There is danger of small towns along the Georgia Central suffering considerably from lack of food and appeals have already been sent in for relief. The situation at Crawfordsville is particularly acute. The town being short of supplies, Commissioner Neill, commissioner of labor, arrived here today from Washington.

SHEA'S CASE SERIOUS

(Special from United Press.)
New York, May 25.—The condition of Alice Walsh, the girl whom Cornelius P. Shea, the former Teamsters Union leader, stabbed last night, is having grown very serious. Judge Barlow today refused again to give a writ of habeas corpus.

WOULD AMEND TEACHERS' BILL FOR CITY SCHOOL

Members of Bridgeport Board of Education Ask Legislature to Put Training School on Same Plane as State Schools.

(By Our Staff Correspondent.)
Hartford, May 25.—Secretary Edward F. Hallen of the Bridgeport Board of Education, who with Attorney John J. Cullinan comprise the committee on schools of that board, was at the capitol today for the purpose of having the school teachers certificate bill, so called, amended to specifically except the Bridgeport Normal School from the provisions of the bill. In the same manner that the state normal schools are excepted. The bill is now pending in the house where the amendment will be offered.

SENATE DOES ITS WORK IN 20 MINUTES

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, May 25.—The senate was in session just twenty minutes today and beyond naming the Senate members of the special committee to investigate the state board of education did very little business. Senator Searls was named.

TARIFF RATES HIGHEST IN OUR HISTORY

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, May 25.—The Senate Finance Committee today laid aside the tariff schedule which has been under discussion for two days and it will not be called up until action has been taken on the sugar schedule. When the tariff is taken up again the committee will recommend a duty of \$150 a thousand feet in sawed lumber. The Dingley rate is \$2 and in the Payne bill it is \$1. In a speech delivered to the Senate today, Shively, (Democrat, Indiana), said that the President had been given a task impossible of realization by the maximum and minimum provisions of the Aldrich bill. The real tariff, the Indiana Senator declared, was constituted by the higher rate prescribed in the maximum provisions. "It is too plain for controversy," he said, "that the duties provided for in the Aldrich bill are 25 per cent. ad valorem and five cents a pound on coffee and ten cents on tea will be the general tariff of the United States after March 31, 1910. Shively said, would continue permanent except in the case of any country whose import duties are higher than the tariff law in the country's history. It would postpone and transfer the contest for the retention of the tariff to the future of taxation from the halls of Congress to the executive departments. The beneficiaries of the proposed act would fight to the death the remission of the additional ninety-five per cent. ad valorem duty in their effort to retain in full their darling franchises in the taxing power of the government."

AERONAUT HAS CHANCE TO LIVE

(Special from United Press.)
Washington, May 25.—Alonso Wilson an aeronaut from Cincinnati, who fell 125 feet yesterday afternoon because his parachute failed to open, is reported today to have a chance to live. The man is at the emergency hospital and examining physicians say he suffered very little internal injury. Wilson dropped with his parachute when 125 feet up while making an ascension from Luna Park.

Weather Indications.

(Special from United Press.)
New Haven, May 25.—Forecast, fair tonight; Wednesday rain. The storm that was central near Texas yesterday is now central near St. Louis. It has produced heavy local showers between the Rocky Mountains and the Mississippi river several places reporting from one to two inches of rain during the past 24 hours. This storm will probably move eastward and reach this vicinity Wednesday. An area of high pressure over the lake region is producing cool, pleasant weather in the eastern section.

CITY COURT CASES

Andrew Hideo, who threw a brick through the window of a Brooks street house, Saturday night, trying to route a gang of hoodlums who were teasing him, was fined \$10 and costs, in the City Court today. The principal defendant in an incorrigible drunk was committed to the state reformatory.

FIRE CAUSES PANIC IN A SCHOOL TODAY

Five Hundred Mothers Bombard Building in Heart of New York Ghetto in Order to Take Their Children Out.

(Special from United Press.)
New York, May 25.—Five hundred mothers, panic-stricken, pounded on the doors of School No. 91 in the heart of the Ghetto here today crying that they be allowed to enter and take their children out. The women were convinced that the building was burning down because of flames and smoke that poured from a six tenement building next door, which was badly damaged. The fire originated in the first story and went through the roof. The flames lashed through the windows almost causing panic in the school. When the frenzied women beat on the school the janitor locked all the doors. Mothers pounded to reach their children and a reserve squad of police were necessary to clear the streets.

PANIC OF GIRLS

One Child Dead and Four Others Dying as Result of Fire at Commencement.

(Special from United Press.)
Central City, Ky., May 25.—One child is dead and four others are dying today as a result of a fire in the Gesh opera house last night during the commencement exercises of Mrs. Boyd's class for girls. Nellie McGarry died this morning and Dorothy Clay, 8; Zelma, 10; Louise Marshall, 12; and Rena Miller, 8, will not survive their injuries, according to the doctors.

A panic occurred in the opera house when the children with their clothing aflame jumped from the stage into the audience. A class of little girls were carrying candles in a fairy drill and the one held by Dorothy Clay ignited her dress. The children knew their parents were in the audience and made a rush for them. Louise Marshall was the first to jump from the stage and threw herself into the arms of her aunt. The audience made a rush from the building and a body and many were bruised and hurt.

VAN OSTEN RETURNS

Mysterious Patient Who Disappeared from New Haven Hospital, Back With Memory Still Gone.

(Special from United Press.)
New Haven, May 25.—Charles Van Osten, the mysterious patient at the local hospital who disappeared early in the month without leaving the slightest evidence as to his whereabouts, presented himself at the hospital this morning. He was unaccompanied and his physical and mental condition was much worse than when he left. Van Osten had been in the hospital for some time as the result of an injury to his head. While his physical condition improved, he was unable to remember anything of the past. He gained considerable notoriety recently when Dr. Diffendorf, the noted alienist, hypnotized him in an effort to restore his memory. On May 8 he disappeared mysteriously from the hospital and nothing has been heard of him until he walked in today. He said that he had been working in New York.

TROOPS TOLD TO SHOW NO MERCY

(Special from United Press.)
Constantinople, May 25.—General Cretschka, head of the Turkish army, sent word today to the troops who are preserving order in the Asiatic Turkish towns where massacres were recently rampant to show no mercy to the Mohammedan population should it resume its slaughter of the Armenians. The order was sent on the day when the Armenian population was planning to resume hostilities and wipe out what remained of the Armenian population of these and other towns. Antioch and Marash are now under martial law declared. It was first stated, to insure a more thorough investigation of the recent massacres but which, it develops, was for the purpose of guarding against a renewal of the massacres.

ALUMNI DAY AT HARTFORD SEMINARY

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, May 25.—To-day is Alumni Day at the Hartford Theological Seminary. The program started with a business meeting at 10 a. m. followed by addresses by the Rev. Dr. Barton, secretary of the American Board of Home and Foreign Missions, and Rev. Henry H. Kelsey, 72, minister of the Fourth Congregational church. They spoke on the work that has been done by the Seminary graduates. An informal luncheon and class reunions followed a prayer meeting at noon. At the afternoon session which began at 2:30 addresses were delivered by Professor Waldo S. Pratt, Professor of Theology, Yale Divinity School; Dr. Ernest C. Richardson, librarian of the Princeton University; and Thornton Pyle. At 5:30 this evening the anniversary dinner will be held at which the Honorable Dr. Bridgeport, president of the board of trustees, will preside. The principal address will be made by Hon. A. W. "Sub"

AMENDMENT TO MEET DISABILITY OF GOVERNORS

House Receives Favorable Report on Bill to Enable Lieutenant Governor — Other Business.

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, May 25.—In the House today a constitutional amendment which will make it impossible for any such contingency as arose when Governor Lilley became incapacitated to serve, to come into existence in the future, was reported by the committee on Constitutional Amendments and was tabled for the afternoon. It adds the words "inability to serve" to the paragraph of the constitution which says under what circumstances the Lieutenant Governor may take the place of the Governor. Among the favorable reports were the following: On a measure giving the right to the city of South Norwalk to issue \$500,000 worth of park bonds and condemn land for park purposes; a \$100,000 issue of street paving bonds for the city of New Haven; a bill which removes the right to the right to sit in the City court; and a bill which requires any package of print butter to weigh 15-1-2 ounces.

The reports also included a bill which made the janitor of the police building in New Haven a subject for a pension from the police pension fund; and a measure which would make the payment of a poll tax the requisite before a voter would be allowed to vote. Both the measures were referred to the Judiciary Committee. Just before adjournment Flisk of Branford made a desperate effort to get favorable action upon the appointment of a candidate for the Branford town judgeship, John B. Thomas. Chairman Burnes of the Judiciary committee was not present at the time and there was no quorum present. Mr. Flisk who sits far over on the Democratic side of the House, changed his position to one near the Judiciary committee and secured a matter from the foot of the calendar and moved that the favorable report of the committee which was turned down by the Senate be now taken up. The resolution passed. He then returned to his own seat and later on answered Representative Bush of Orange, who moved the reconsideration of the resolution from there. Mr. Flisk said that one of the largest town meetings Branford has ever held recently had been unanimously in favor of the resolution. Before final action was taken on the matter the House was adjourned on motion of Dormitzer of Woodbury.

HOUSE RECONSIDERS FIREWORKS BILL

But Representative Clarke Makes Opposition on Ground that Legislation Is Favored by Fire Chiefs

(By Our Staff Correspondent.)
Hartford, May 25.—In spite of the efforts of Rep. Fayette C. Clark of Bridgeport the house today reconsidered its action in passing a bill, favorably reported, concerning the sale and storage of fireworks, which bill was introduced by Rep. William H. Hayes of Waterbury moved its reconsideration, stating that the bill in its present form was indefinite. Maloney of Bridgeport made a strong speech against reconsideration. He said the bill represented the consensus of opinion of the fire chiefs of Connecticut, and was designed to protect congested centers in cities of over 15,000 population. He said it was a good bill and should prevail.

YOUTH AGAIN THREATENS HIS BABY BROTHER

Young Koffman's Dislike of Step-mother Brings Him Twice in to Court in as Many Days.

(Special from United Press.)
Isaac Koffman, the 1 year old son of Nathan Koffman, 96 Bunnell street who was in the City court yesterday for threatening to kill his mother and his baby brother and who was released on probation, was arraigned today on a charge of threatening to kill his mother and his baby brother. He was placed in care of the probation officer who went home and repeated his threats.

Police Investigate Murder Mystery

(Special from United Press.)
Hooksett, N. H., May 25.—With a bullet wound in his right temple and a depression in his skull made by a heavy blunt instrument, the body of a man drawn from Hinman's pond, a deserted swampy pool, three miles from here, lies today in the town morgue and the police have started investigation of his murder. When found the body was weighted with a heavy piece of granite which had been heaved especially so that the rope would not become detached. The body has evidently been in the water for months. It was that of a man six feet tall, who probably weighed 200 pounds when alive and was probably 60 years old. Labels of Manchester clothing were found in his clothing. In the pockets were a Boston & Maine rebate check dated October 1, 1908, the punches showing that it was used between Manchester and Hooksett, and 63 cents in change.

NONAGENARIAN DEAD

(Special from United Press.)
Naukeaguck, May 25.—Mrs. Taylor Bradley, aged 91, died at her home in Bradleyville today. Mrs. Bradley resided in the same home in Bradleyville for the past eighty years.

BOND HEARING WHETHER BOARD WILL OR NOT

Senator Arnold Says Finance Committee Can See No Reason for Further Delay.

Has Not Been Asked by a Single Citizen to Favor a Measure Authorizing City to Go In Debt for High School — Two Adjournments Granted by Finance Committee.

(By Our Staff Correspondent.)
Hartford, May 25.—Senator Arnold of Bridgeport announced today that the hearings scheduled for tomorrow afternoon before the finance committee upon the petition of the Board of Education of Bridgeport to issue bonds, amount not stated, for a proposed high school, would be held whether the board of education was ready to proceed or not. Senator Arnold said that the committee had twice postponed the matter at the request of the petitioners and saw no reason for the fiscal year ending June 30, as it is now predicted at the offices of the company, the full dividend is earned, the salaries are almost certain to be reduced, and the company is likely to make up for the past reduction. The reduction on the New Haven system was made in April of last year, and amounted to 5 per cent. of the salaries between \$1,200 and \$2,000 a year, and 10 per cent. on salaries above that amount. The reduction applied only the clerical and administrative force. The total reduction for the company amounted to about \$132,000 a year.

SALARIES TO RISE

Restoration of Those Cut by New Haven Road Depends on Earnings.

Whether the New York, New Haven & Hartford will follow the action of the Boston & Maine railroad in restoring the reduced salaries throughout its system, depends mainly, say the officials upon the earning of the company for the present year as made up for the fiscal year ending June 30. If it is now predicted at the offices of the company, the full dividend is earned, the salaries are almost certain to be reduced, and the company is likely to make up for the past reduction. The reduction on the New Haven system was made in April of last year, and amounted to 5 per cent. of the salaries between \$1,200 and \$2,000 a year, and 10 per cent. on salaries above that amount. The reduction applied only the clerical and administrative force. The total reduction for the company amounted to about \$132,000 a year.

FIREMAN STRICKEN WITH RENAL COLIC

Ambulance Removes Him to Hospital — Also Takes Miss Schmidt to Surgeon's Knife.

The ambulance went to 217 Warren street this morning answering a hurry call, and removed Miss Mary Schmidt, aged 21, to St. Vincent's hospital, where she was operated upon for appendicitis. It is believed that she will recover. The ambulance was also called to No. 1 Engine House where Hydrant Inspector Frank Noonan was suffering from an attack of renal colic. He was removed to St. Vincent's hospital. Noonan suffered a similar attack less than two weeks ago.

THOSE CHARTER AMENDMENTS

(By Our Staff Correspondent.)
Hartford, May 25.—All of the Bridgeport Charter amendments came into the House today upon the favorable report of the committee on cities and boroughs and were tabled for calendar and printing.

FACTORY FIRE IN UNION CITY

(Special from United Press.)
Union City, Conn., May 25.—A frame building belonging to the Metal Finishing Company was destroyed by fire early today and loss will amount to over \$5,000. The blaze was discovered at 4 a. m. but at that time the interior of the building was a mass of flames and the efforts of the firemen were confined to saving the surrounding buildings. The shop was used for galvanizing and coating of wire and acids which were destroyed together with a lot of unfinished material. The origin of the fire is unknown.

BRIDGEPORT MEN UP FOR FRAUD

(Special from United Press.)
Hartford, May 25.—The May term of the United States district court opened here today with Judge Platt on the bench. After the Grand Jury had reported they retired to consider the evidence in six criminal cases as follows: Marshall F. Armstrong, New Haven, and Arthur E. Sullivan, New London, both post office employees charged with opening the mail; John Lekas and Constantinos, both of Bridgeport, charged with fraud in connection with securing naturalization papers; Isadore Goldberg and Antonio Kaimowski, both of New Haven, charged with passing counterfeit half dollars.

BURNS BROS. GET SECOND SENTENCE SERVING FIRST

James and Frank Burns, brothers, were brought from jail today, where they are serving sentence, and tried for the theft of a pair of shoes, from a wagon. James was given 30 days in jail and Frank 15 days. A fine of \$1 and costs was imposed on each. The theft was committed last week.

HOUSE PROMPTLY DEFEATS LEADER BURNES' DEBATE THROTTLING RESOLUTION

His Motion that No Speech More Than Five Minutes Long Should Thereafter Be Permitted Greeted With Storms of Protest.

Members Regarded It As Attempt to Shut Off Discussion of Act to Regulate Public Services by Those Who Fear Free Argument.

Hall of Willington Leads

Opposition to Burnes—Democratic Leader Higgins, Chandler of Rocky Hill and Bishop of New Haven Aply Assist—Wasn't Necessary to Make a Count.

(By Our Staff Correspondent.)
Hartford, May 25.—The House today gave Leader Burnes a sharp rebuke by overwhelmingly defeating the resolution offered by him limiting future speeches upon all matters pertaining to legislation to five minutes. Burnes in support of his resolution said it was customary for Legislatures at this stage of the proceedings to restrict the time of speakers in order to expedite the business of the session. He said that at the present rate of unlimited talk adjournment would not be possible before Labor Day.

A storm of protest swept through the House in opposition to the resolution. Hall of Willington denounced it as a dangerous practice. It was intended to choke off discussion on the most important measures that would be enacted by this Legislature. He said it was notorious that many of the most important bills passed by the House were rushed through at the eleventh hour and at the last minute. The public utilities bill, he said, was a matter which would come before the House for discussion later and he did not propose to let that resolution pass as this, which would prevent a full and free discussion of that important matter.

Ball was strongly supported by Representatives Whitton, Bishop of New Haven, Higgins, the Democratic leader, of Winchester, and Chandler of Rocky Hill. They all urged upon a resolution of information addressed to the Speaker, elicited the reply that if the resolution passed it would require a two-thirds vote and it could be sustained. It was thought expedient to do so. A motion to table the resolution was lost. By a vote in which the "noes" rang defiantly the resolution was defeated. Subsequently it was said by members of the House that the real reason for introducing a resolution such as this was to benefit the opponents of the public utilities measure who are fearful of the outcome of a full and free discussion of that bill. It was said that upon the floor of the House.

NO DECREE FOR HUSBAND WHO NAMED BROTHER

Judge Curtis in Superior Court Hands Down Decisions in Three Cases.

Judge Howard J. Curtis in the Superior Court, civil side, handed down three important decisions today, relative to divorce proceedings, to a justice suit and to an appeal from probate. He denies the application of Arthur H. Miller of Danbury, for separation from his wife, Stella T. Miller, also of Danbury. Miller sought a decree on statutory grounds and named his brother George as co-defendant and the alleged offenses as occurring in October, 1908. The wife, on the other hand, produced evidence which brought out the conduct of the defendant. When the case was tried some weeks ago, Mrs. Miller created a scene in the court by calling her husband a pervarious, Snelling & Potter, well known architects of New York, with offices at 1170 Broadway, received a judgment for \$3,500 against William J. Merritt, wealthy resident of Greenwich. About five years ago the plaintiffs contracted to draw plans of a building for the defendant, for which they were to receive \$3,500. Of this amount only \$500 was paid. They sued to recover the remainder and interest for five years. The court, of which Walter E. Houghton was the administrator, received a judgment to recover \$4,813.98. Campbell's wife, who was a sister of the defendant in the suit, died some time before her husband, who died in Nov., 1905. She left \$4,000 to be divided between her brother and three sisters, which she gave in trust to her husband. The husband died intestate, and the administrator refused to pay the brother and sisters, the suit resulting. They sued to recover \$5,000.

TIDES AT LAUREL BEACH

Laurel Beach, May 25.—Sunday for the first time in a week the sun showed and gave promise again that summer was approaching. A northeast gale blew most of the week, making very high and rough tides. Nearly every day the tides reached the bulkhead. The high winds and tides from the northeast during the past six weeks have taken out much of the sand which formed the fine beach in front of the Alderman, Steiger and Randall cottages and carried it down by the pier where it is piled nearly to the top of the board walk. The positions of the sand bars have also been changed. In many places along the front the laws are cutting of fine red sand, which will not improve the grass.

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